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EPA will complete sampling of the 34 Superfund sites in Texas potentially impacted by the storm this week and preliminary analytical results should be provided soon and will be released to the public. EPA will begin sampling of the 9 Superfund sites in Louisiana potentially impacted by the storm today and will complete sampling this weekEPA continues air monitoring activities around the Valero plant in southeast Houston to determine potential sources of volatile organic compounds in the community. The TAGA monitored five additional facilities in the Houston area and conducted fence line and community monitoring adjacent to Eco Services Operations. No significant readings of VOCs were observed. EPA has confirmed that private well testing is available to residents either through county or state programs. Orphan containers, such as drums and tanks found floating in or near waterways, continue to be gathered by EPA and TCEQ, where crews are ensuring the disposal of oil and hazardous materials is conducted properly. The Hurricane Harvey Story Map is posted at www.epa.gov/hurricane-harvey. Today, EPA and TCEQ are meeting with environmental advocates in Austin and EPA will host its weekly call with environmental justice advocates.